लेना, लगभग सभी प्रसंस्कृत फल एवं सब्जी उत्पादों पर उत्पाद शुल्क हटाना, संयंत्र और मशीनरी पर सीमाशुल्क में कटौती आदि शामिल हैं । इसके अलावा इस मंत्रालय ने कुछ फसलोत्तर बुनियादी सुविधाओं, उत्पादकों और प्रसंस्करण-कर्त्ताओं के बीच पिछड़े संपर्क को मजबूत करने, खुम्बी की खेती और प्रसंस्करण के लिये बुनियादी सुविधा के विकास आदि सहित फल एवं सब्जी प्रसंस्करण सुविधाओं की स्थापना एवं उन्हें उन्नत बनाने के लिये योजना स्कीमें भी तैयार की हैं । इन प्रोत्साहनों और योजना सहायता का लाभ प्राइवेट सेक्टर द्वारा भी उठाया जा सकता है ।

World Bank credit for import of equipment for Food Processing Industries

1032. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR :
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to secure a credit of $ 1 billion over the next five years from the World Bank and its affiliates to primarily finance import of equipment for food processing industry;

(b) if so, the details of the food processing industry sought to be developed with the World Bank credit; and

(c) what steps have been taken so far in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Conditions for Pepsi Foods

1033. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 279 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1992 and state :

(a) what were the conditions for giving Pepsi Foods foothold in the country;

(b) whether the said unit has fulfilled the conditions; and

(c) if not, what action Goverument have taken on non-fulfilment of the conditions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corpn. Ltd. were granted letter of intent/foreign collaboration approval (subsequently transferred in the name of M/s. Pepsi Foods Ltd.) for processing potato/grain foods, processed fruit/vegetable products and soft drink concentrate. Certain special conditions, in addition to the general conditions were incorporated in the letter of intent/foreign collaboration aproval which are as under :—

(i) the turnover from soft drink concentrate manufacturing shall in no year exceed 25% of the total turnover of the company for that year;

(ii) the project shall export 50% of its total turnover each year for a period of ten years from the commencement of commercial production of which 40% will be from the company's own manufactured products and 10% from 'Select List' products manufactured by others. The foreign exchange inflow shall not be less than five times the foreign exchange outflow of the project during the aforementioned ten year period.

(iii) there shall be no import of proprietory ingredients to manufacture soft drink concentrate and the raw materials available within the country shall be used to the maximum extent possible. The import of any raw materials and chemicals that are not available indigenously shall be regulated by the Import Policy in force from time to time and no special import concessions shall be allowed.

(iv) foreign brand names shall not be allowed to be used on domestic seals.

(v) efforts shall be made to increase export potential and the actual export performance of the project which will include export of soft drink also.

(b) and (c) Certain alleged violations of the terms and conditions of Letter of Intent/Foreign Collaboration approval granted to the company have been brought to the notice of the Government which are being considered in consultation with the concerned Departments/Ministries including Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs and Office of the Director General, Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce.

Resumption of soft drink coca cola in the country

1034. DR. ABRAR AHMED :
SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has finally cleared the proposal for resumption of soft drink Coca Cola in the country with effect from the year 1993; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) Government have approved a joint venture proposal of M/s. JMRPCO Ltd. on 21-1-1992. JMRPCO Ltd. is a company incorporated at Hong Kong in which 60% share-holding in NRI equity and 40% shareholding is of M/s. Coca Cola South Asia Holdings INC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Coca Cola, USA. In this joint venture company, M/s. JMRPCO Ltd., M/s. Britannia Industries Ltd. and Maharashtra State Govt. Agency will hold 66%, 24% and 10% of the equity respectively. The Company has informed that they have taken certain steps to implement the project.

Fruit and vegetable based industries by NRI's

1035. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI :
CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have received any proposals from the Non-resident Indians to set up fruits and vegetable based industries in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, State/Union Territory-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) As per available information, three applications received from NRIs for setting up Fruit and Vegetable based industries in the country have been approved. The details are as under :—

1. *Shri Ramnik Modi, U.K. (NRI)* : Letter of Permission under 100% Export Oriented Undertakings' Scheme was granted on 28-1-1992 for setting up of a unit in the State of Gujarat for the manufacture of Pickles and Food Spices.

2. *Shri Padam K. Khanna, U.S.A. (NRI)* : Automatic permission for foreign collaboration as per the new Industrial Policy, 1991 has been granted for setting up of a Food Processing Unit in the State of Andhra Pradesh, in April, 1992.

3. *Shri H. N. Solanki, U.K. (NRI)* : Letter of Permission under EPZ Scheme granted on 20-7-1992 for setting up of a 100% Export Oriented Unit in Cochin Export Promotion Zone, Cochin (Kerala) for the manufacture of Processed Vegetables.

Sitting up of a National Marine Fishery Board

1036. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up a National Marine Fishery Board;

(b) if so, what are the main objectives thereof;